WRITTEN OPPOSITION TO TRUSTEE'S DETERMINATION OF CLAIM NO. 015843

WITH RESPECT TO

BERNARD L. MADOFF INVESTMENT SECURITIES LLC In Liquidation DECEMBER 11, 2008

SMT Investors LLC ("SMT") maintained an account (Account No. 1CM827) with Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC ("BLMIS"). On February 20, 2009, SMT filed a claim in connection with the liquidation of BLMIS. On June 23, 2009, the Trustee notified SMT that SMT's claim had been designated Claim Number 003139, that SMT's claim for securities was denied, and that SMT's claim was allowed for \$5,742,997.27, which was the amount of money SMT deposited with BLMIS for the purchase of securities, less subsequent withdrawals, all as outlined in Table 1 contained in the Trustee's Notice.

On June 25, 2009, each member in SMT filed an individual protective claim in connection with the liquidation of BLMIS. This protective claim was filed in order to preserve any rights that such member may have with respect to the outcome of litigation, which the member understood to be pending, relating to the rights of a member in a limited liability company or other business entity to recover a separate amount from SIPC in a case in which the limited liability company or other business entity was a customer of BLMIS. On December 10, 2010, the Trustee notified the members in SMT that their respective claims had been designated Claim Nos. 013083, 015837, 015838, 015839, 015840, 015841, and 015842, and that their respective claims for securities and/or a credit balance had been denied, apparently on the grounds that the members in SMT did not have accounts with BLMIS. Each member in BLMIS is filing a separate Written Opposition with respect to such determination.

Also on December 10, 2010, SMT received a further Notice from the Trustee, stating that SMT's claim had been designated Claim No. 015843, and that SMT's claim for securities and/or a credit balance had been denied, apparently on the grounds that SMT did not have an account with BLMIS.

Copies of SMT's claim (including attachments thereto), of the cover letter from SMT's counsel transmitting SMT's claim to the Trustee, and of the Trustee's two Notices to SMT are attached.

SMT **DISAGREES** with the Trustee's determination denying the undersigned's claim. SMT was a direct customer of BLMIS, as evidenced by documents previously submitted by SMT to the Trustee and by the Trustee's prior allowance of SMT's claim. The Trustee's subsequent Notice purporting to disallow SMT's claim appears to be a mere clerical error, perhaps caused by confusion arising in the course of the Trustee's processing of the protective claims filed by the members in SMT. In this regard, it may be significant to note that the Claim

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Number assigned to SMT's claim in the Trustee's December 10, 2010, Notice follows in numerical sequence immediately after the Claim Numbers assigned to the claims of six of the seven members in SMT.

Respectfully submitted,

SMT INVESTORS LLC

By:

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BERNARD L. MADOFF INVESTMENT SECURITIES LLC

In Liquidation **DECEMBER 11, 2008**¹

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S DETERMINATION OF CLAIM

December 10, 2010

SMT INVESTORS LLC BERNARD H MENDIK CO LLC 150 E. 58TH ST - 17TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10155

Dear SMT INVESTORS LLC BERNARD H MENDIK CO LLC:

PLEASE READ THIS NOTICE CAREFULLY.

The liquidation of the business of BERNARD L. MADOFF INVESTMENT SECURITIES LLC ("BLMIS") is being conducted by Irving H. Picard, Trustee under the Securities Investor Protection Act, 15 U.S.C. § 78aaa et seq. ("SIPA"), pursuant to an order entered on December 15, 2008 by the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York.

The Trustee has made the following determination regarding your claim designated as Claim No. 015843:

Based on a review of available books and records of BLMIS by the Trustee's staff, you did not have an account with BLMIS. Because you did not have an account, you are not a customer of BLMIS under SIPA as that term is defined at 15 U.S.C. § 78/// (2). Accordingly, your Claim for securities and/or a credit balance is **DENIED**.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: If you disagree with this determination and desire a hearing before Bankruptcy Judge Burton R. Lifland, you **MUST** file your written opposition, setting forth the grounds for your disagreement, referencing Bankruptcy Case No. 08-1789 (BRL) and attaching copies of any documents in support of your position, with the United States Bankruptcy Court **and** the Trustee within **THIRTY DAYS** after December 10, 2010, the date on which the Trustee mailed this notice.

¹ Section 78///(7)(B) of SIPA states that the filing date is "the date on which an application for a protective decree is filed under 78eee(a)(3)," except where the debtor is the subject of a proceeding pending before a United States court "in which a receiver, trustee, or liquidator for such debtor has been appointed and such proceeding was commenced before the date on which such application was filed, the term 'filing date' means the date on which such proceeding was commenced." Section 78///(7)(B). Thus, even though the Application for a protective decree was filed on December 15, 2008, the Filing Date in this action is on December 11, 2008.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE: If you do not properly and timely file a written opposition, the Trustee's determination with respect to your claim will be deemed confirmed by the Court and binding on you.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE: If you properly and timely file a written opposition, a hearing date for this controversy will be obtained by the Trustee and you will be notified of that hearing date. Your failure to appear personally or through counsel at such hearing will result in the Trustee's determination with respect to your claim being confirmed by the Court and binding on you.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE: You must mail your opposition, if any, in accordance with the above procedure, to each of the following addresses:

Clerk of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York One Bowling Green New York, New York 10004

and

Irving H. Picard, Trustee c/o Baker & Hostetler LLP Attn: Claims Department 45 Rockefeller Plaza New York, New York 10111

Irving H. Picard

Trustee for the Liquidation of the Business of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC



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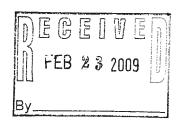
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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Irving H. Picard, Esq.
Trustee for Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC
Claims Processing Center
2100 McKinney Avenue, Suite 800
Dallas, TX 75201



Re:

Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC

Customer Claim

Dear Mr. Picard:

Enclosed please find SMT Investors LLC's Customer Claim, together with supporting documents, with respect to Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of the enclosed by signing the enclosed copy of this letter and returning it to me in the enclosed, self-addressed stamped envelope.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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RECEIPT ACKNOWLEDGED:

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Proper documentation can speed the review, allowance and satisfaction of your claim and shorten the time required to deliver your securities and cash to you. Please enclose, if possible, copies of your last account statement and purchase or sale confirmations and checks which relate to the securities or cash you claim, and any other documentation, such as correspondence, which you believe will be of assistance in processing your claim. In particular, you should provide all documentation (such as cancelled checks, receipts from the Debtor, proof of wire transfers, etc.) of your deposits of cash or securities with the Debtor from as far back as you have documentation. You should also provide all documentation or

information regarding any withdrawals you have ever made or payments received from the Debtor.

Please explain any differences between the securities or cash claimed and the cash balance and securities positions on your last account statement. If, at any time, you complained in writing about the handling of your account to any person or entity or regulatory authority, and the complaint relates to the cash and/or securities that you are now seeking, please be sure to provide with your claim copies of the complaint and all related correspondence, as well as copies of any replies that you received.

PLEASE CHECK THE APPROPRIATE ANSWER FOR ITEMS 3 THROUGH 9.

NOTE: IF "YES" IS MARKED ON ANY ITEM, PROVIDE A DETAILED EXPLANATION ON A SIGNED ATTACHMENT. IF SUFFICIENT DETAILS ARE NOT PROVIDED, THIS CLAIM FORM WILL BE RETURNED FOR YOUR COMPLETION.

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3.	Has there been any change in your account since December 11, 2008? If so, please explain.	*·*·······	
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5.	Are or were you a person who, directly or indirectly and through agreement or otherwise, exercised or had the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of the broker?		
6.	Are you related to, or do you have any business venture with, any of the persons specified in "4" above, or any employee or other person associated in any way with the broker? If so, give name(s)		
7.	Is this claim being filed by or on behalf of a broker or dealer or a bank? If so, provide documentation with respect to each public customer on whose behalf you are claiming.		
8.	Have you ever given any discretionary authority to any person to execute securities transactions with or through the broker on your behalf? Give names, addresses and phone numbers.	<u>X</u>	
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This customer claim form must be completed and mailed promptly, together with supporting documentation, etc. to:

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